

Remarks

Reexamination and reconsideration of the application as amended are respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly distinguish over the art of record.

Specifically, claim 1 now recites that the copolymer is dispersed in the carrier solvent or vehicle component. Further, the list of possible solvents, carriers or vehicle components has been amended to delete the C₄-C₁₀ alkanes which includes some of the solvent type materials such as described in Bolich.

Further, a new claim 17 has been added to limit the copolymer to those having a T_g of less than 19°C. The linear copolymers disclosed in Bolich have a T_g of at least about 30°C so that they are not unduly sticky or tacky to the touch. Note the paragraph bridging cols. 3 and 4 and preferably have a T_g of from about 35°C to 75°C. Further, the linear copolymers described in Bolich provide restyling benefits where heated implements are used in contrast so the invention composition of claim 17 that does not have a reshaping effect.

New claim 18 is limited to the copolymer such as recited in claim 1 dispersed solely in an aqueous solvent or vehicle component. In contrast, organic linear copolymers of Bolich are dissolved in hydrophobic volatile branched chain hydrocarbon liquids.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims as amended are distinguishable over the art of record and in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

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